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Re: Application of: John N. STANIFORTH, *et al.*

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For: **A PROCESS FOR PREPARING A DIRECTLY
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CONTAINING MICROCRYSTALLINE
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I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the final Office Action dated August 28, 2003 from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application, Applicants hereby submit the following arguments:

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